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Re:

Applicants:

Manuel J. Villa, et al.

Title:

CELLS ENGINEERED TO CONTAIN GENES OF INTEREST

Serial No.:

10/651.207

Filed:

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Art Unit:

1636

Examiner:

K. Katcheves

Docket No.:

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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner, mailed November 15, 2005, finally

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	This	application is on behalf of:		
			statement	
		\square is attached.		
		$igotimes$ was already filed on λ	August 29, 2003.	
		_ other than a small entity.		
2.	Fee for F	iling Notice of Appeal		
	Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e), the fee for filing the			
	Notice of	Appeal is::		
	\boxtimes	small entity	\$250.00	
		other than a small entity	\$500.00	
-		Notice of Appeal fee due	\$250.00	
3.	Extension	of Term		
	NOTE: The time periods set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.191 are subject to the provision of § 1.136 for patent applications. 37 C.F.R. 1.191(d) (But see 37 C.F.R. 1.645 for extension of time in interference proceedings as 37 C.F.R. 1.550(c) for extension of time in reexamination proceedings.)			
prov	-	edings herein are for a patent 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.	application and the	
	(a) 🛚	Applicant petitions for an ex 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.		

(a) (5)) for the total number of months checked below:

	LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
one month	\$ 120	\$ 60
two months	\$ 450	\$ 225
_ three months	\$1,020	\$ 510
four months	\$1,590	\$ 795
five months	\$2,160	\$1,080
Fee:		\$ - 0 -

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

> An extension for <u>two</u> months has already been \square secured. The fee paid therefor of \$225.00 is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$285.00

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Applicant believes that no extension of term is (b) required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

Total Fee Due 4.

The total fee due is:

\$250.00 Notice of Appeal fee Extension fee (if any) \$285.00

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FEE PAYMENT 5.

Applicant encloses herewith a check totaling \$_____.

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Respectfully submitted,

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